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Sir:

Declaration is executed herewith an Enclosed above-identified application which was originally filed without an executed Declaration.

The Declaration identifies the application by the Title, name of the inventors, and filing date of the application.

Accordingly, it is submitted that the present application now complies with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.53(d).

Enclosed herewith is the \$130.00 surcharge required by 37 CFR 1.16(e). Also enclosed is the required copy of the Notice to file Missing Parts of Application.

Early issuance of a filing receipt is therefore requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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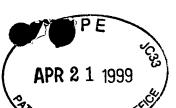
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Attached hereto is a check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover Patent Office fees relating to filing the following attached papers:

Late filing of executed Declaration \$130.00

A duplicate copy of this paper is being submitted for use in the Accounting Division, Office of Finance.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or to credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 23-0975, with the EXCEPTION of deficiencies in fees for multiple dependent claims in new applications.

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